GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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OIL REFINERY AT KAKINADA IN A.P.
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) have recently decided to set up an Oil refinery at Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether ONGC Board has given its in principle approval and clearance for the project; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the estimated gestation period for completion of the project?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a)&(b) : Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC) is exploring the feasibility of setting up an export-oriented oil refinery at Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh

(c) to (d) : ONGC Board in its 150th meeting held on 30th January 2006 has noted that Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd. (MRPL), a subsidiary company of ONGC, had entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP), Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Limited (IL&FS) and Kakinada Sea Ports Ltd (KSPL) on 3rd September 2005 to explore the feasibility of setting up an export-oriented refinery at Kakinada, subject to techno-commercial viability of the project. ONGC has approached GoAP for an incentive package for ensuring the economic viability of the project.